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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 8, 2002, please consider the remarks below and amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 14-23, 29, and 30 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend Claims 12, 13, 24, and 25 as shown in the attachment. Claims 12, 13,

24, and 25 in clean form are shown below:

12. (Amended) An air mixing damper apparatus comprising:

a mechanism provided between a plate door type air mixing damper for opening and closing an air introducing face of a heater core, and a rotation type lever of an actuator for driving the air mixing damper, the mechanism for adjusting rotational speed of the air mixing damper to linearly change the temperature of discharged air with respect to the operation of the lever of the actuator, said mechanism for adjusting rotational speed comprising: